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SUBJECT: FRENCH COMPUTER ENHANCEMENTS TO POLAND -

IL 1565

REFS: A. COCOM DOC (75) 1998

B. STATE 242048

C. OC DOC. NO. 5345

1. FRENCH HAVE TAKEN STRONG EXCEPTION TO VISITING CONDITIONS (MONTHLY FOR 3 YEARS, QUARTERLY THEREAFTER) ATTACHED TO OUR APPROVAL OF THIS CASE DURING ITS DISCUSSION ON OCTOBER 14 AND AGAIN ON OCTOBER 21, WHEN DRAFT RECORD CAME UP FOR CLEARANCE.

2. FRENCH ASKED, FIRST, WHAT PART OF THE EQUIPMENT IS CONSIDERED TO BE EQUIVALENT TO 3330 DRIVE. TOLD THAT WE CONSIDERED DSU-190 TO BE ITS EQUIVALENT (REF C), THEY DISAGREED, ASSERTING THAT HONEYWELL-BULL STATES 190 HAS LOWER CAPACITY THAN MSU 400, WHICH IT DOES CONSIDER TO BE 3330-TYPE DRIVE.

3. SECOND, AND MORE IMPORTANT, FRENCH ASK WHY VISITING REQUIREMENTS ARE MORE SEVERE THAN THOSE OF OUR PROPOSED NOTE 5. USDEL REPLIED THAT WE CONSIDER SYSTEM CHARACTERISTICS, AS ENHANCED BY ADDITION OF THIS

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EQUIPMENT, WOULD EXCEED NOTE 5 CUTOFFS. FRENCH

CHALLENGE THIS.

4. USDEL COMMENT: IT IS NOT CLEAR FROM COMPARISON ATTACHED TO REF C IN WHAT RESPECTS THE ENHANCED SYSTEM, OR THE DSU-190, WOULD ACTUALLY EXCEED NOTE 5 CUTOFFS. REF C WAS DRAFTED PRIOR TO CHANGES PROPOSED IN NOTE 5 BY U S AND ACCEPTED BY COMMITTEE. THE COMPARISON GIVES NOTE 5 CUTOFF UNDER "EFFECTIVE BIT TRANSFER RATE OF ANY PERIPHERAL MEMORY DEVICE OR DATA CHANNEL" AS 1.5 M BITS. BUT PARAGRAPH (G)(4)(II) OF NOTE 5, AS MODIFIED, GIVES A FIGURE OF 3.4, WHICH EXCEEDS THE DSU-190 FIGURE OF 3.02 FOR THAT PARAMETER.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTED TO INFORM US, ON URGENT BASIS,

A) HOW DSU-190 COMPARES WITH 3330 IN TERMS OF SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS, AND

B) IN WHAT RESPECTS DSU-190, OR TOTAL SYSTEM AS ENHANCED BY IT, EXCEEDS MODIFIED NOTE 5 CUTOFFS.

6. IF IN FACT IT DOES NOT EXCEED THOSE CUTOFFS, THEN THE VISITING TERMS OF OUR APPROVAL OF THIS CASE SHOULD BE MODIFIED TO CONFORM TO THOSE OF NOTE 5. OTHERWISE OUR POSITION WILL APPEAR AMBIGUOUS OR EQUIVOCAL AND OUR INTENTIONS OPEN TO QUESTION.

7. ISSUANCE OF DRAFT RECORD OF OCTOBER 21 DISCUSSION IS BEING DELAYED ON USDEL'S REQUEST PENDING CLARIFICATION OF THIS VERY CRITICAL POINT. HOPE ANSWER CAN BE RECEIVED HERE BEFORE COB PARIS TIME FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24.
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